

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

February 21, 2008

10:30 a.m.

307 House Office Building

The Chair called the meeting to order.

Present were: Reps. Hopgood, Griffin, Accavitti, Bieda, Donigan, Ebli, Leland, Miller, Young, LaJoy, Casperson, Nitz, Pavlov, Pearce, Stahl, Knollenberg,

Absent and excused was Rep. Mayes.

Rep. Miller moved to excuse the member that was absent. The motion prevailed.

Rep. Griffin moved to approve the minutes of the meeting held February 7, 2008. The motion prevailed.

Chair Hopgood laid before the Committee HB 4839 - Farrah - Vehicles; abandoned; procedures for disposition; clarify.

Chair Hopgood recognized Libby McGaughey from Rep. Farrah's office to explain HB 4839.

Chair Hopgood recognized Bill Byers, President of the Michigan Towing Association, who testified in support of HB 4839.

The following person filled out a testimony card for HB 4839 and stated a neutral position.

Sgt. Matt Bolger from the Michigan Department of State Police.

Rep. Bieda moved to adopt the substitute H-2 to HB 4839. The motion prevailed, the vote being 15-0-2.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Reps. Hopgood, Griffin, Accavitti, Bieda, Donigan, Ebli, Leland, Miller, LaJoy, Casperson, Nitz, Pavlov, Pearce, Stahl, Knollenberg,

Nays: None.

Rep. Accavitti moved to report out HB 4839, substitute H-2, with the recommendation that it pass. The motion prevailed, the vote being 15-0-2.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Reps. Hopgood, Griffin, Accavitti, Bieda, Donigan, Ebli, Leland, Miller, LaJoy, Casperson, Nitz, Pavlov, Pearce, Stahl, Knollenberg,

Nays: None.

Chair Hopgood laid before the Committee HB 4456 - Pearce - Crimes; reckless endangerment by placing obstruction in a roadway; prohibit and provide penalties.

Chair Hopgood laid before the Committee HB 5663 - Criminal procedure; sentencing guidelines; sentencing guidelines for crime of reckless placing an obstruction in a roadway; provide.

Chair Hopgood recognized Rep. Pearce and Rep. Donigan to explain HB 4456 and HB 5663.

Chair Hopgood recognized Tim McMorro, Chief Appellate Attorney from Kent County, who testified in support of HB 4456 and HB 5663.

The following person filled out a testimony card in support of HB 4456.

Sgt. Matt Bolger from the Michigan Department of State Police.

Rep. Ebli moved to adopt the substitute H-2 to HB 4456. The motion prevailed, the vote being 16-0-1.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Reps. Hopgood, Griffin, Accavitti, Bieda, Donigan, Ebli, Leland, Miller, Young, LaJoy, Casperson, Nitz, Pavlov, Pearce, Stahl, Knollenberg,

Nays: None.

Rep. Griffin moved to report out HB 4456, substitute H-2 with the recommendation that it pass. The motion prevailed, the vote being 16-0-1.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Reps. Hopgood, Griffin, Accavitti, Bieda, Donigan, Ebli, Leland, Miller, Young, LaJoy, Casperson, Nitz, Pavlov, Pearce, Stahl, Knollenberg,

Nays: None.

Rep. Donigan moved to amend HB 5663 as follows:

1. Amend page 4, line 10, after "unless" by striking out the balance of the line through "05828'07)" on line 11 and inserting "House Bill No. 4456".

The motion prevailed, the vote being 16-0-1.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Reps. Hopgood, Griffin, Accavitti, Bieda, Donigan, Ebli, Leland, Miller, Young, LaJoy, Casperson, Nitz, Pavlov, Pearce, Stahl, Knollenberg,

Nays: None.

Rep. Bieda moved to report out HB 5663, as amended, with the recommendation that it pass. The motion prevailed, the vote being 16-0-1.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Reps. Hopgood, Griffin, Accavitti, Bieda, Donigan, Ebli, Leland, Miller, Young, LaJoy, Casperson, Nitz, Pavlov, Pearce, Stahl, Knollenberg,

Nays: None.

With no further business to come before the Committee Chair Hopgood adjourned the meeting, the time being 11:05 a.m.

Representative Hoon-Yung Hopgood, Chair

Mary Lou Terrien, Clerk

Proposed